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MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, Planning, Programming & Budgeting Staff  
Chief, Technical Services & Support Group  
Chief, Imagery Exploitation Group  
Chief, Production Services Group

SUBJECT : Implementation Plan for Mid-1970's Photo-  
interpretation Workstation Concepts

REFERENCE : [ ] Report re subject, [ ] dated  
November 1969

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1. For the on-going purpose of improving photo-  
interpretation work, the Center continues to investigate and  
develop new equipment and future P. I. equipment requirements.  
Several research and development projects to that end are  
being done by private companies under contract to the Center.

2. [ ] has completed one of these  
projects and delivered its report to us--"Mid-1970's Photo-  
interpretation Workstation Concepts." This report provides  
both data and an opportunity for discussions within the  
Center which will enable us further to define what our P. I.  
equipment needs should be, to understand better what our  
alternatives are for development and procurement of such  
equipment, and to develop guidelines and objectives for the  
planning of further development and future procurement.

3. It should be understood that the [ ] report is  
an input of data useful for our consideration and planning--  
it is not, and could not be, a definitive study including  
all of those factors which we should consider. It should  
be understood also that the photointerpretation components  
of our Imagery Exploitation Group must make a substantial  
contribution to our considerations and discussions of the  
subject.

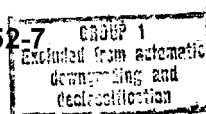
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4. TSSG/RED will distribute the [ ] report to the  
addressees, as well as to IAS. Additional copies may be  
obtained by contacting [ ], RED, [ ]  
TSSG/RED also will provide a consolidated, explicit descrip-  
tion of the P. I. workstations, including equipment, support  
services, and personnel staffing required for each of the

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three postulated systems in the [ ] report. Copies of this information will be available to each of the report recipients by the week of 19 January 1970.

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5. The next phase of the effort will be a review of the reference material by each of the Groups and PPBS. This review will be completed by the compilation of questions relating to omissions and clarification of subject matter in the referenced report which cannot be satisfactorily resolved through informal discussions with RED personnel. These questions should be documented by each Group and delivered to TSSG/RED, Attn: [ ] by 26 January 1970.

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6. RED will prepare answers to these questions by 2 March. This will be accomplished by having in-house discussions with appropriate NPIC components and querying the contractor for clarification of its views on the questions. [ ] may also be asked to present a briefing addressing the more appropriate questions.

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7. Finally, the Executive Director will meet with the Chief, PPBS, and the Group Chiefs in late February or early March to review, discuss, and select further development and procurement plans.

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8. [ ] Special Assistant for Plans and Applications, TSSG/RED, [ ] will be the Coordinating Officer for this effort until preparations are complete for the Executive Director's discussions. Your questions regarding this effort should be addressed [ ]

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Executive Director  
National Photographic Interpretation Center

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